FISCAL NOTE

SB 2828 - HB 2870

February 14, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Extends the provisions of the pharmacy *Any Willing Provider* law to include all entities such as health insurance issuers, managed care organizations, employee welfare benefit plans, health maintenance organizations, insurance companies, hospital service corporations, healthcare centers, prepaid plans, state and local governments, and all other corporations, entities, and persons.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

TennCare is exempt from certain provisions of this act and MCOs currently adhere to all other parts of the law. Because the law requires that all pharmacies meet any economic requirements of a health insurance contract, there should be no impact on the state employee, local education and local government insurance plans. Any existing drug discounts negotiated for the state-operated plans should not be affected.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director